

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

**Please replace the paragraph at page 1, lines 4-6 with the following:**

The present application is based on Japanese Priority Document JP2002-353233 filed on December 5, 2002<sup>23</sup> the content of which is incorporated herein by reference.

**Please replace the paragraph at page 2, lines 24-25 to page 3, lines 1-10 with the following:**

There is an ink jet head of Fig. 13 disclosed in, for example, Japanese Unexamined Patent Application No. 2000-135987 135787 as an ink jet head aiming to establish an equalization of the influence of the crosstalk exerted on each pressure chamber. The ink jet head shown in Fig. 13 has three dummy pressure chambers 102 formed respectively at both sides of plural pressure chambers 101 arranged in a printing range, each pressure chamber 101 having a single ejecting nozzle 103 communicating therewith and each dummy pressure chamber 102 having plural dummy nozzles 104 communicating therewith. The "dummy pressure chamber" means herein a pressure chamber from which ink is not ejected even if a driving signal is applied.

**Please replace the paragraph at page 7, lines 5-6 with the following:**

~~Fig. 3 is an explanatory view Figs 3A and 3B are explanatory views~~ showing a state of a capacity change in a pressure chamber due to a shearing strain;

**Please replace the paragraph at page 7, lines 7-8 with the following:**

~~Fig. 4 is a sectional view Figs. 4A and 4B are sectional views~~ showing shapes of an ejecting nozzle and a dummy nozzle;

**Please replace the paragraph at page 7, lines 9-10 with the following:**

~~Fig. 5 is an explanatory view Figs. 5A and 5B are explanatory views~~ for explaining a process for forming the ejecting nozzle and the dummy nozzle;

**Please replace the paragraph at page 7, lines 11-12 with the following:**

~~Fig. 6 is an explanatory view Figs. 6A and 6B are explanatory views~~ showing a calculation model of a flow impedance of the ejecting nozzle and the dummy nozzle;

**Please replace the paragraph at page 7, lines 17-18 with the following:**

~~Fig. 9 is a sectional view Figs. 9A and 9B are sectional views~~ showing a modified example of the ejecting nozzle and the dummy nozzle;